

HOUSE OF DELEGATES WEST VIRGINIA LEGISLATURE

Building 1, Room E-221 1900 Kanawha Blvd., East Charleston, WV 25305-0470 Phone (304) 340-3164

EUSTACE FREDERICK, Vice-Chair COMMITTEE ON ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AND SMALL BUSINESS 611 MOUNTAIN VIEW AVENUE BLUEFIELD, WV 24701 PHONE: (304) 325-6676

May 16, 2008

Other Committees:
Finance
Industry & Labor
Health & Human Resources
Interstate Cooperation
Pensions & Retirement

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street S.W. Room TW-A325 Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No.04-233

Dear Ms. Dortch:

It has come to my attention that the FCC Commission is considering new rules that would regulate the nature of programming and how information is gathered at the local television station. WVVA-TV does an outstanding job of communicating with me and other local leaders and community organizations in the viewing area.

I have worked in the coal business for 40 years retiring as a Senior Vice-President and have been a member of the West Virginia legislature for 15 years. I have had a close and personal relationship with the personnel that run WVVA-TV. They have covered all important community and political events and have done it throughly and accurately. They do an excellent job and I can see no reason to add regulations telling them what should be covered or where they should be involved or not involved. WVVA-TV airs periodic interviews with local elected officials to beep their constituents informed amd gets directly involved with our organization to help us achieve our goals.

We would appreciate no additional regulations as they would threaten to insert a bureaucratic framework that will disturb a locally developed process that works well today.

> Yours truly, Custace Fraderick

Delegate Eustace Frederick